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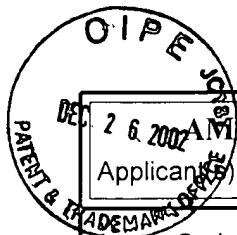
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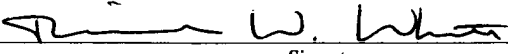

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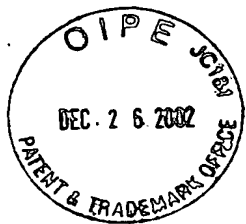
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Serial No. 09/696,676	Filing Date October 24, 2000	Examiner Anabel Ton	Group Art Unit 2875		
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RESPONSE

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed September 20, 2002. The Declaration of Alan J. Rudd, Eric Haugaard, and Kurt Wilcox under 37 CFR §1.131 accompanies this response.

Remarks

The Applicants appreciate the attention of the Examiner to the application. The Office Action of the Examiner has been reviewed with care in the preparation of this response. The following remarks are believed to be fully responsive to the Office Action. Claims 1-27 are pending.

Applicants appreciate the indication of allowability of claims 4, 5, 10-12, and 14-27. Applicants' invention provides a unique low-profile overhead industrial light fixture of significant value in the lighting industry. Based on the remarks below and the declaration of Alan J. Rudd, Eric Haugaard, and Kurt Wilcox, Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections by the Examiner of claims 1-3, 6-9, and 13 under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Wang (U.S. Patent No. 6,394,628).

Applicants' invention, as set forth in claim 1, comprises a housing to an overhead industrial light fixture wherein the top wall, bottom wall, and sidewalls of the housing together form a substantially enclosed space within which the lamp-mounting socket is